

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY AT

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

June 12, 2002

IN RE:

JOINT APPLICATION OF LECSTAR TELECOM, INC.
AND NUVOX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR
APPROVAL OF AN ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

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DOCKET NO.
02-00435

ORDER APPROVING CUSTOMER NOTICE LETTER

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on April 30, 2002 for consideration of the *Joint Application* (the "*Application*") filed by LecStar Teleom, Inc. ("LecStar") and Nuvox Communications, Inc. ("Nuvox") (collectively the "Applicants") for approval of a customer notice letter pursuant to the provisions of Authority Rule 1220-4-2-.56(2)(d)(2).

Authority Rule 1220-4-2-.56(2)(d)(2)

Authority Rule 1220-4-2-.56(2)(d)(2) provides as follows:

(d) In the case of a transfer of a customer base between two or more telecommunications service providers, the Authority, upon petition by the acquiring telecommunications service provider, may deem that sufficient notice has been given and approval received from the affected customers when the following criteria are met:

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2. A notification letter, pre-approved by the Authority, shall be mailed by U.S. First Class Postage by the telecommunications service provider being acquired to its customers describing the customer transfer and explaining that the customers' local or long distance service will be transferred to the acquiring telecommunications service provider by a certain date unless the customer selects another telecommunications service provider. This customer

notification shall be mailed to the customers no less than thirty (30) days prior to the actual customer transfer. The notification letter required by the FCC may be used for the notification purposes of this part. The Authority may waive the thirty (30) day notice requirement of this part for good cause shown.

The Application

In their *Application*, which was filed on April 17, 2002, the Applicants state that they propose to enter into an asset purchase agreement pursuant to which LecStar will purchase certain telecommunications assets of Nuvox, specifically the residential and long distance customers of Nuvox located in the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. service territory.

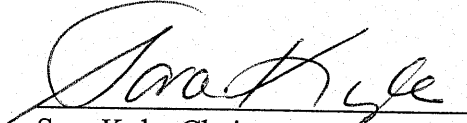
The *Application* states that LecStar is a Georgia corporation with its principal offices located in Atlanta, Georgia. LecStar is a provider of local and interexchange services. LecStar provides resold intrastate local exchange and long distance telecommunications services in Tennessee pursuant to authority granted in Docket No. 99-00818. Nuvox is a privately held South Carolina corporation with its principal offices located in Chesterfield, Missouri. Nuvox has the authority to provide telecommunications services in Tennessee pursuant to an Order dated February 22, 2000 in Docket No. 99-00806 and an Order dated July 31, 2001 in Docket No. 01-00643.

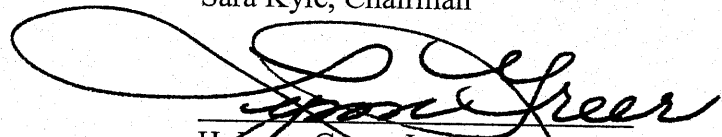
According to the *Application*, prior to consummation of the proposed transaction, LecStar intends to notify all current end users of Nuvox of the transaction and of the opportunity to switch their service to a substantially similar product of LecStar or to choose a different carrier. The *Application* states that this notification will be made by a customer transfer letter sent to customers as a bill insert. A sample copy of the letter is attached to the *Application*.

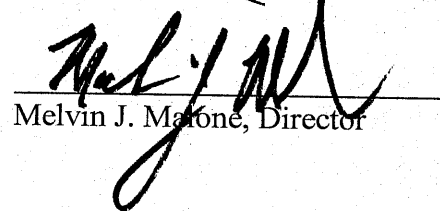
At the April 30, 2002 Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to approve the Applicants' proposed customer transfer letter as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

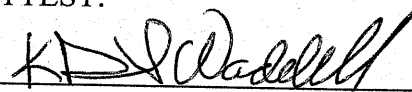
The customer notice letter proposed by LecStar Teleom, Inc. and Nuvox Communications, Inc. is approved.


Sara Kyle, Chairman


H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director


Melvin J. Malone, Director

ATTEST:


K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary